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Monday, 7 July 1952

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1. Mentioned at the Deputies' meeting that Henry Byroade of State would be receptive to an invitation to visit CIA. The Director indicated that Frank Wisner and I might well give him a luncheon and Frank suggested that we add [REDACTED] I undertook to make arrangements.

2. Mr. Wisner referred to a special report on the situation in Surinam which had been obtained by one of [REDACTED] people at the request of Mr. Dulles. At the meeting I spoke to Mr. Wisner and requested that he give O/CI a chance to look over the report, since it appeared to be in the nature of a current intelligence judgment, and later spoke with Mr. Wisner and suggested that [REDACTED] have a chat with [REDACTED] so as to make clear the handling of intelligence reports going outside the Agency. This question arose merely because this general report was, apparently, intended for the White House. Mr. Wisner agreed.

3. Attended ADs' meeting and undertook to introduce Gen. Partridge at the Orientation Course on Wednesday.

4. Spoke to Gen. Partridge and Gen. Weckerling respecting JCS 1953/11. Both seemed upset about releasing a JCS paper which had not been passed on by the JCS, but Partridge suggested that we get it from the Office of the Chief of Staff of the Army, in the form of a memorandum from that office which was identical with the JCS paper. Accordingly, I called Gen. Oakes, Sec. of the General Staff, and told him that if he could not clear dissemination with us I desired to speak with Gen. Bull.

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5. Spoke with Gen. Partridge as to the IAC designee for the summary evaluation of the vulnerability study. Partridge indicated that an air officer had been decided upon and I spoke with Ackerman on this. Later was informed by Ackerman that Gen. Samford, upon his return, had indicated a desire to sit on the senior committee. So advised [REDACTED] of O/NE, and also suggested that they get in touch directly with Col. Porter and a representative on the working level committee.

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6. Upon receipt of instructions from DCI, cancelled a projected meeting with Gen. Weckerling and Fisher Howe respecting intelligence support to [REDACTED]. Also drafted letter and cable to [REDACTED] accomplishing, I hope, a graceful withdrawal from this situation. Later spoke with [REDACTED]

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7. [REDACTED] of PSB spoke to me about a [REDACTED] who had been in Moscow and whom O/C was desirous of obtaining. [REDACTED] apparently is being sent to field duty and I explained that there was nothing that we could do in such a situation.

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8. Had Frank Shackelford, Counselor to the Army Department, for luncheon and later discussed with him his requirements for a replacement for himself and two or three of his deputies. I undertook to speak to [REDACTED] about this and later mentioned it to [REDACTED] who will 25X1A9a contact me.

9. Arranged to have luncheon with Rowland Kirks, Alien Property Custodian, on Thursday.

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10. At the request of [REDACTED], set up a meeting with Kingman Douglass at 4:30 Thursday afternoon, at which time we shall discuss pending operations.

11. Read the Brownell Committee Report.

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13. [REDACTED] informed me that he wished me to see a special report, which was later brought up by [REDACTED] of O/SO. Said report related to Spain.

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14. Gen. Roberts phoned and said that there was a Major Michael Hansinger recently back from Tehran who had some operational ideas that he wished to pass on to an appropriate person. I arranged with [REDACTED] to have him interviewed by [REDACTED] and referred him to [REDACTED] when he phoned.

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15. Mentioned to Mr. Wisner that I tentatively plan to send Mr. Amory to the [REDACTED] conference. Also informed Mr. Wisner of the revised plans with respect to intelligence support for [REDACTED]

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16. Discussed with [REDACTED] the organization and personnel
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